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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives wish to congratulate Chief Patrick J. Kenny of the Hinsdale Fire Department on receiving the 2004 Illinois Fire Chiefs Association's Fire Chief of the Year Award; and

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WHEREAS, Chief Kenny has been a member of the Fire Service for over 21 years; he has been with the Hinsdale Fire Department for over 20 of those years and has served as the Fire Chief since 1993; and

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WHEREAS, Chief Kenny holds a bachelor's degree from Loyola University in Psychology and an associate's degree from the College of DuPage in Fire Science; he is a graduate of the Executive Fire Officer program at the National Fire Academy and is a recipient of Chief Officer Designation by the International Fire Chiefs' Association; and

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WHEREAS, Chief Kenny is an Instructor for the Illinois Fire Chiefs as well as Northwestern University and has articles published in the areas of leadership and fire code challenges; he has twice been awarded the Fire Prevention Achievement Award by the Illinois Fire Inspector's Association; and

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WHEREAS, Chief Kenny is a member of the Standards Review Committee for the Office of the State Fire Marshal for Certified Fire Instructors, a member of the Illinois Fire Chief's Promotional Assessment Board, the Metropolitan Fire Chief's Executive Board, the Illinois Fire Chief's Educational Foundation, and is currently the First Vice President of the Illinois Fire Chief's Association; and

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WHEREAS, On May 14, 2004, at the Illinois Fire Chiefs Association Annual Symposium, Chief Kenny was presented with a beautiful acrylic tabletop award by President Jay Reardon, a

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1 Fire Chief of the Year Medal and campaign ribbon by Chief Tom
2 Freeman, Committee Chair, and a gift certificate for a
3 management assistance tool from Sharper Image presented by
4 Executive Director Bob Buhs; and

5 WHEREAS, Chief Kenny is married and has three sons;
6 therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
8 NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
9 congratulate Chief Patrick J. Kenny of the Hinsdale Fire
10 Department on receiving the 2004 Illinois Fire Chiefs
11 Association's Fire Chief of the Year Award for his outstanding
12 contributions to the fire service and to this State; and be it
13 further

14 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
15 presented to Chief Patrick J. Kenny as a token of our
16 admiration and respect.